

**TIDEWATER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.
STROKE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: June 11th, 2020 **Meeting Location:** TEMS Office **Chaired By:** Dr. Michael
Begin Time: 2:30 p.m. **End Time:** 3:08 p.m. **Minutes Submitted By:** Michael McMahon

Members Present: Mike McMahon, Greg DeYoung, Sheila DeYoung, Amy Ward, Katherine Biagi, John Baker, Michael Whitehurst, Kathryn Funk, Alek Collins, Joel Michael, Jason Sarver, Sabrina Werner, Pat Edwards, Stacey Faircloth, Amy Smith-Peard, Nicole Rice, Josalynd Thomas

Item (Project)	Discussion (Status)	Action Required	Barriers	By Whom/When
Introduction and Approval of Minutes	A motion was made to approve the February 2020 minutes as written. The motion was seconded and was approved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - April 2020 meeting was canceled due to pandemic and lack of data to discuss 			
Data Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed 2020 Q1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There was an overall improvement in all data metrics, but scene time is still the worst performer • Providers consistently obtain BGL and LKW on stroke patients – also remind providers to obtain medical/medication history and onset times <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Especially important when family can't be transported with patient (currently due to pandemic) 			
Case Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Baker with CRMC presented on COVID-19/stroke patient <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussed initial presentation with EMS and in ED - Stroke symptoms reappeared with infectious disease physician and patient was then treated for stroke - CTA occlusion and CTP infarct - Developed swelling in left hemisphere - COVID caused problems including hypercoagulability, vascular inflammation, impaired oxygen delivery 			
LVO Destination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will be kept on agenda for discussion • Dr. Michael suggested developing a subcommittee to tackle problems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Composed of both EMS and hospital providers - Deal with methods to determine if thrombectomy facility can take LVO patient from EMS (if EMS brings in LVO patient will facility have staff/space/equipment available to treat patient) - Currently no way to tell if facility is ready for patient prior to arrival 			
Old Business				
New Business				
Next Meeting	Next meeting to be held on 8/13/2020 at 2:30 pm			